

GENEROSITY

STRONGER

June 2, 2019

Stronger • 2 Corinthians 8-9 • Message 6

PRAY • STRONGER MEANS...

God's power is perfected in weakness!

THE WORLD IS MESSED UP, WEAKNESS IS REAL, GOD IS STILL POWERFUL, VICTORY IS SURE! • REVIEW 7:14-16

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PRELIMINARIES:

THEY NEED TO BE SPIRITUALLY AND FINANCIALLY PREPARED • PROBLEMS ABOUT CHURCHES & MONEY
[LIST] • PAUL DOESN'T ADDRESS TITHING • SPECIAL OFFERING, OLDER THAN LAW, PROMISE, EQUALITY

2CO 8:1-5 • EXAMPLE OF GENEROSITY

GRACE SHOWS UP A FEW MORE TIMES...

Joy + Poverty = **RICH GENEROSITY**

HAVE YOU EVER SPENT TOO MUCH MONEY ON SOMEONE? • WEDDINGS? • ILL: U2 2009 \$500
WAS IT TOO MUCH? • THEY GAVE THEMSELVES FIRST TO GOD

2CO 8:6-9 • WAS IT TOO MUCH?

COMPARING • COMPARING TO JESUS • GRACE!!!

Financial **HARDSHIP** is an Opportunity for **GRACE**

WHEN OTHERS ARE PRESSED • WHEN I AM PRESSED • I CAN BE LIKE JESUS
BUT SHOULD I IMPOVERISH MYSELF?

2CO 8:10-15 • SHOULD I BE IMPOVERISHED?

The goal is equality / **MUTUALITY**.

BUT IS THE MONEY GOING TO BE HANDLED PROPERLY?

2CO 8:16-9:5 • WHO CAN BE TRUSTED?

OUR CHURCH BOOKS ARE OPEN TO FINANCIAL SUPPORTERS • WE ARE TRUSTWORTHY, ARE YOU?

2CO 9:6-11 • BUT I DON'T WANNA!

God fully **EMPOWERS GIVERS**.

MALACHI 3:10 • DEUT. 14:28-29, 15:3-6, 15:10-11
FOR GOD'S PEOPLE, GIVING IS NEVER A ZERO-SUM GAME

2CO 9:11-15

PEOPLE WILL PRAISE GOD FOR YOU, BECAUSE OF YOU, AND PRAY FOR YOU... GRACE

Thanks be to God for his **INDESCRIBABLE GIFT!**

TAKE IT HOME

THE MONEY YOU GIVE • LIGHTS ON, CHURCH DEBTS, MY FAMILY, THE HARDY FAMILY
BUT ALSO • NEW CHURCHES, MIDDLE EAST, MEXICO CITY, MINISTRIES IN LAFAYETTE!
•• NOTHING COMES CLOSE TO THE GIFT OF JESUS •• GRATITUDE SUNDAY ••

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Prayer Team Breakfast • June 8

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